**MR. K. GEORGE** (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

**MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know from the member how many applications were disposed of in 1103 and 1104 ?

**MR. K. GEORGE** (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : That requires an enquiry with the Land Revenue Commissioner. I have not got that information.

**MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know from the member whether that requires additional hands ?

**PRESIDENT** : That is a new question.

*Raising the grade of the Erumakkuzhi Primary School.*

86. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware :

(i) that the building in which the present Vernacular Primary School at Erumakkuzhi is housed has been constructed and handed over by the public for the purpose of opening a Vernacular Middle School ;

(ii) that there are seven other Primary Schools in the neighbourhood which would act as feeder schools for the same ; and

(iii) that the above building could conveniently accommodate Middle School Classes also ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have considered the question of raising it to a Middle School on that ground ?

**MR. K. GEORGE** (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) (i) The document by which the building was transferred to Government states that a Higher Grade Elementary School building was constructed by the signatories to the document and handed over by them to Government unconditionally. There was no promise of any kind to raise the standard of the school.

(ii) No. Two Primary Schools alone can conveniently supply pupils for Class V, the other schools around being incomplete Prmiary Schools.

(iii) The school has more accommodation than is required for its present needs, but not enough for a complete Middle School.

(*b*) The Government have decided against the raising of the Erumakkuzhi Primary School to a Middle School.

*Rules under the Village Panchayat Regulation.*

87. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons for not publishing the rules under the Village Panchayat Regulation even though draft rules were published about 18 months back ?

**MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Secretary to Government*) : Draft rules framed by the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil were published in the issue of the *Gazette* dated the 17th July 1928. The two months' time fixed

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